

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
TAKASHI IKEDA		:)	Examiner: Van Thu T. Nguyen
Application No.: 09/973,057		:)	Group Art Unit: 2824
Filed:	October 10, 2001	·)	
For:	MAGNETORESISTIVE ELEMENT, AND MAGNETIC MEMORY USING THE SAME) :)	June 8, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY MENDMENT

Sir:

a) Introductory Comments

As a submission with the enclosed RCE, kindly amend the subject

application as follows: